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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 13th, 1910.

An interesting situation has developed in Siam through the Law of Military Service being put into force. Fears have been expressed that the native Siamese being drafted into the army will involve considerable disorganization in industry, or, where this effect is overcome, it will mean that Siamese labour is displaced by Chinese or Indian, so that in either case Siamese interests will suffer. Though one of the smallest countries in Asia, Siam has shown a wonderful susceptibility to Western influences, and her remarkable progress has only been excelled by the marvellous transformation achieved in Japan. Under the enlightened sway of a monarch who has shown that he has the real interests of his country at heart, this Asiatic kingdom is being led to develop its resources, trade and commerce are being fostered, and the people are being uplifted from their primitive past. With this attention to peaceful pursuits, there has also been displayed a capacity for military training and discipline, which has been the admiration of those privileged to witness it, and an army has been created which is in the highest degree creditable to the little State. That an army is not a mere luxury is demonstrated by the frequent military operations conducted on the boundaries, where considerable resources are required to keep the various becoming too aggressive.

European countries as her model, Siam some years ago established a form of conscription, and has gradually been putting it into force month by month. Instead of being warned by the unhappy condition of the nations of Europe groaning under the increasing burdens of armaments, she is following in their footsteps, and the discontent which followed the application of the Law of Military Service to the provincial population is paralleled by the complaints which come from the capital itself, where many industries are threatened with a withdrawal of their labour supply by being absorbed in the army. It is asserted by those affected that a "far-reaching scheme of conscription applied to the peculiarly small population of this country must necessarily injure trade and agriculture by reducing the supply and increasing the cost of labour. The insufficiency and comparative costliness of labour are very grave obstacles to the development of Siam's commerce and industry, yet her legislators have not hesitated to force on the people a drastic scheme of military conscription, the effect of which must be to accentuate the labour difficulty in a marked degree." Foreign residents are largely identified with the complaints made at present. They have their capital invested in Bangkok industries, are large employers of labour, and not unnaturally they view with apprehension the disorganization likely to be occasioned by a large proportion of the industrial classes being drafted into the military service, but, their interests being at stake, their presentation of the case is not quite free from the tinge of prejudice. The chief point in their indictment is the handicapping of Siamese labour. Siamese will be shut out from useful and remunerative occupations created by foreign capital and enterprise, and their places will be taken by Chinese, Indian, and other imported labour. The prospect of the manhood of Siam being rendered economically inferior to the immigrant is not alluring, and objection to the operation of a law which produces this result can well be understood, but, unfortunately with all their progress, the Siamese have not become a factor of prime importance in the industrial life of the capital or of the country, so that it may be doubted if the number of men required, for the service will really impose any check on the industrial life of the country. On the other hand, it is urged that the discipline of army service would have a most beneficial effect on a considerable portion of the youth of the nation—a contention which is very feasible—and if the Siamese are thereby stimulated to habits of industry conscription should accomplish more good than can be claimed for it in some European countries. At the same time the conditions which insist that a Siamese shall serve the State for some four to six months and permits an immigrant labourer to earn forty to fifty a month seems hardly fair, and it is obvious the problem will have to be solved in the interest of Siam.

The weather is still remarkably cool for April.

The cruiser *Monmouth* returned to Hongkong yesterday from Manila.

The Kobe branch of the Royal Society of St. George has decided to celebrate St. George's Day by a ball on Friday, the 22nd April.

According to the annual financial reports of the Provinces China's expenditure exceeded the receipts by over twenty million taels last year.

A Peking journal refers to the treaty concluded between India and Bhutan as "another Asiatic country dominated by Great Britain."

The Viceroy at Tientsin has obtained permission from the Throne to open a Commercial Protection Bank to relieve the tension in the market.

The Army Advisory Council has decided to order the land forces of the Fokien, Yunnan, Szechuan and Kwangtung Provinces to have manoeuvres some time in the spring.

Mr. E. H. Hallifax fined a native \$200 at the Magistracy, in default two months' imprisonment, for being in unlawful possession of 20 taels of opium drugs.

The Waiwupa has informed all the provinces that, in the case of foreigners naturalizing themselves as Chinese, it would be necessary to notify the applicants' own Government of the fact.

The China Merchants' steamer *Kiangtung* is badly ashore off Whampoa. The *as*, *Huangshan* and a Chinese gunboat attempted to tow her into deep water on Monday, but their efforts were unsuccessful.

A Peking despatch states that an Imperial Rescript ordered the publication of a list of high tax-payers. Twenty men, all resident of Tientsin, pay sums ranging from 296,000 taels to 20,000 taels.

The tenders for the postal service between Haiphong and Hongkong via Quang-chow were sealed in the French East Asiatic Company, who were the lowest tenderers, securing the concession.

By order of the Japanese Government, the Yokohama Specie Bank will from April 1st grant loans to Japanese dealers of small means in Manchuria on mortgage security of land and other property. The total amount of loans to be granted is fixed at three million yen.

There is a rumour, says the *Japan Gazette*, that Japan has placed an order with a certain shipbuilding yard in England for the construction of a battleship of 23,000 tons, and that the Japanese naval authorities have already despatched its representatives to England to inspect the work.

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 10th April, 1910, shows that of non-Chinese there were 488 to the Library and 178 to the Museum, and of Chinese 249 to the former and 2,320 to the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by 737 persons and the Museum by 2,498.

Detective-Sergeant Watt charged a Chinese before Mr. E. R. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday with being the keeper of an opium den in Jubilee Street, and proceeded against twenty-three others for smoking therein. The charges were proved and the keeper was fined \$100 and each of the smokers \$4.

By Imperial Ordinance issued on March 26th, the salaries of naval and military Japanese officers and officials in the service of the Government are to be increased at the rate of from thirty to twenty per cent. on and after April 1st, this being the result of the passage through the Diet of the Bill for increasing the salaries of Government officials.

An amusing report reads that the Empress Dowager, seeing that the younger sister of ex-President Roosevelt has a good education, has given instructions to the Prince Regent to ask that lady to take charge of the future Kuei-tau Girls' College, and if no funds can be raised for the establishing of this college it should be drawn from the Imperial Treasury.

Between midnight on Saturday, April 2nd, and six o'clock on Monday morning a thief gained access to the premises of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews at No. 11, Yuenning-yuen Road, Shanghai. He ransacked a number of drawers, but all he could find worth stealing was the sum of fifty cents. The police were apprised of the entry, but have been unable as yet to trace the thief.

It is stated that an American capitalist has applied to the Chinese Government through the American Charge d'Affaires in Peking for permission to establish a system of overhead trams in the Metropolis. He contends that these trams will not constitute the least danger to the public and the old crosses of narrow streets and heavy traffic, with which former applications were rejected, do not hold good in the present case.

The Board of Finance has practically completed its enquiry into the currency question, says the *Shanghai Times*. Tai Tse proposes to base the new currency of China on that of Japan with the exception that the tael will be made the unit instead of the dollar. The new coins are, according to this proposal, to consist of fifty tael, twenty tael, ten tael, five tael and one tael gold pieces, one tael, five mace, two mace, and one mace silver pieces, and fifty candareens, twenty candareens, five candareens, two candareens and one candareen pieces.

A scheme is maturing among leading business men and private shipping companies in Japan for organizing a tourist party for the purpose of visiting the Anglo-Japanese Exhibition. The idea of the promoters is to hire a steamer of about 6,000 tons, which will leave Japan early in June for London direct, the whole trip to last about four months. The number of tourists is to be fixed at 500, and the expenditure is estimated at about 7500 each. It is also suggested, says the *Japan Gazette*, that on landing in London and at points en route the tourists will wear Japanese dress, and that the steamer be utilized as a hotel while moored in the Thames. This plan is generally welcomed by Japanese.

The P. M. Aies was detained at the quarantine station on her arrival at Nagasaki on the 7th inst. owing to a case of small-pox, having been discovered the previous day among the Filipino steerage passengers. The disease was diagnosed in its early stages, the steerage passengers were vaccinated by the ship's doctor and all other necessary precautions taken. On reaching the quarantine station the man was taken off in the hospital boat, the remainder of the steerage passengers were conveyed to the fumigating station, while their quarters on the ship were disinfected. After the Asiatic passengers had been returned to the ship she was allowed to proceed to her anchorage in the harbour, and the saloon passengers were then allowed to go ashore.

An action has been filed in the Tokyo Chihō Saibansho by Messrs. Bennett & Co., of Bombay, against Baron Goto, Minister of Communications, claiming the payment of ¥340 as telephone charges and storage. It is stated that Mr. M. Z. Martin, of No. 29, Sannomiya-cho, San-chomo, Kobe, on September 21st, 1909, forwarded to Messrs. Bennett & Co.'s consignment of Japanese articles which were needed in Bombay for the Christmas season. The articles were received by plaintiffs in time, but the bill of lading and other important documents failed to arrive at the proper time. Inquiries revealed the fact that the documents had been sent to Australia by mistake on the part of the Japanese Postal authorities. This prevented the plaintiffs taking delivery of the articles which had to be stored in the Bombay Customs warehouse. Plaintiffs were obliged to pay storage charges and cost of telegrams, the total amounting to ¥340.

## LICENSING BOARD.

A meeting of the Licensing Board was held yesterday afternoon to consider an application from Richard Francis Daly for a publican's licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises Nos. 29 and 31, Des Voeux Road Central, under the sign of "The Owl Grill Rooms." Sir Henry May presided, and there were also present: Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson, Hon. Mr. Osborne, Mr. W. D. Craddock and Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, with Mr. G. A. Woodcock, secretary.

The Secretary intimated that there were no police objections.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner, who appeared for the applicant, said the application was to substitute an adjunct licence under the old Ordinance which he had held for two years for a licence under the new Ordinance. The object of the application was to facilitate his carrying on his present business. His business was catering and supplying meals to the shipping people and naval men; and the restrictions under the new Ordinance would very much encumber his business if he were only allowed to hold an adjunct licence.

Mr. Hooper—What are the hours?

The Secretary—Twelve to two-thirty and six to nine.

Mr. Gardiner added that a good deal of the applicant's business was done between eight and ten o'clock, when the men coming into port came in there for meals. He does not wish to have a bar.

The President—He is not subject to these conditions at present?

Mr. Gardiner—No. Proceeding, he said that his client wished to carry on his business as he had done. He did not wish a bar, as there was no room for it.

The President—If he doesn't want a bar it is not clear what he wants a licence for.

Mr. Gardiner—He wants a full licence so as to enable him to sell drinks at any time.

Hon. Mr. Osborne—Has the applicant ever been warned by the police about selling liquor outside his adjunct licence?

Mr. Gardiner—Yes, he was fined once.

The Board considered their decision in camera, and afterwards intimated that they had decided to refuse the application.

## MARICAN CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

Before Mr. J. B. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon S. E. Allana proceeded against S. A. Marican on a charge that he did with others conspire to commit an assault on the complainant.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker & Deacon) prosecuted, and Mr. M. Bender Harris (of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist) appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Shenton said the defendant was charged with conspiring with others to commit an assault on S. E. Allana. Proceedings with reference to this charge had already been before Mr. Hallifax.

Mr. Harris—My friend need not refer to that.

Mr. Shenton—I am going to put the facts in that case in and prove them. Proceeding, the speaker said that Allah Din was charged and convicted of having attempted to commit an assault. Evidence in support of the present charge would consist chiefly of conversations between the defendant and various other members of the Indian community here. Mr. Shenton would prove that an assault was attempted on Allana on March 2nd in Wyndham Street.

The question his Worship would ask was, What was the motive for this? The speaker would prove that the complainant and the defendant had very close business connections, and during this time certain transactions took place, and with regard to these it would be greatly to the benefit of the defendant if Allana was no longer in the Colony. These transactions consisted chiefly of fraud.

D. R. Captain said he had a conversation with Marican about Allana in February. The defendant said Allana had better leave him alone or he would break complainant's head and take out his teeth. If he did not do it himself he would get someone to do it, and already had one of his Pathan's watching Allana, who had cost him \$4,000 in a few days. Allah Din was working at Marican's place, and also worked at the Hamburg-America office. Witness saw Marican on March 4th and said, "You put a good trap, but the Pathan did not do well." He laughed and said the Pathan told him Allana had run away. He also said the Pathan would have fixed him if he could have caught him.

In cross-examination witness said he was friendly with both plaintiff and defendant. He had no interest in the firm of D. R. Captain & Co., and was a bankrupt. On February 25th witness told Allana to be careful as Marican had been telling him things.

Further evidence was heard, and the hearing adjourned.

## AMATEUR BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

Third Round.

MELVIN C. COOPER.

This game played on Monday night was a very one-sided affair, Melvin running out an easy winner by 247 points. The final scores were:—Melvin, 500; Cooper, 253.

The best breaks were:—Melvin—21, 18, 25, 21, 41, 22, 21, 19, 26, 25, 19 and 26. Cooper—15, 16, 17 and 12.

PITT & LEUNG KAM KWONG.

Leung started off well after the usual preliminary safety misses, and a 24 showed him at his best. He followed on shortly afterwards with a 26, and the scores were called 68 plays 30 in favour of Leung. At the interval Leung led by a few points but Pitt shortly afterwards passed him and with the balls running kindly finished an easy winner by 49 points. The scores were Pitt, 500; Leung Kam Kwong, 451.

The semi-finals start to-night at 8.30 p.m. when Messrs. Melvin and Haigh meet.

## TELEGRAMS.

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## JAPANESE ROYALTY IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 11th.

Prince and Princess Fushimi were entertained to lunch to-day at the Tsarkoe Selo Palace, the Empress being present. M. Sazonoff, the Acting Foreign Minister, and his wife, and the Japanese Ambassador and his wife were also invited.

LONDON, April 12th.

The Tsar to-day conferred the Order of St. Andrew on Prince Fushimi.

## VISITING CRUISER.

LONDON, April 11th.

Reuter's correspondent at Mauritius wires that the Japanese cruiser "Ikoma" has arrived on her way to England, having on board Viscount Seke, Baron Samada, and fourteen members of the Japanese Parliament. The Governor will give an official dinner in the evening and a ball on Wednesday in honour of the visitors.

## THE SUEZ CANAL.

LONDON, April 11th.

In the House of Commons Mr. MacKinnon Wood, in reply to Mr. Hall, said the interest of the British Government in the Suez Canal was valued at £25,000,000. It would terminate as the result of the refusal of the Egyptian Assembly to extend the concession.

[The estimated market value of the shares, for which £4,050,000 was paid, was £22,667,000 on March 31st, 1909.]

## NATIONALIST AMENITIES.

"WIGS ON THE GREEN."

LONDON, April 12th.

Mr. Redmond declares that everything Mr. O'Brien said at Cork in reference to him is an absolute fable, and adds that the alleged land purchase offer was never made to him.

## FIGHTING THE TRUSTS.

A SURPRISING DECISION.

LONDON, April 12th.

The Supreme Court of the United States has ordered re-argument to be heard in the cases of the Standard Oil Company and the American Tobacco Company, which the Missouri and New York Circuit Courts respectively declared to be illegal corporations.

The decision has created great surprise in financial circles and caused stocks to rise with a bound.

## THE VETO.

LONDON, April 12th.

The debate on the second of the Veto Resolutions opened to-day in the House of Commons.

## MANUFACTURING "OPIUM" IN SHANGHAI.

At the Mixed Court, Shanghai, the other day three coolies and their master were charged with being concerned together in manufacturing a drug purporting to be genuine opium in a house situated at Cornhill Road at 6.40 a.m. on the 2nd instant. The alleged "opium" contained lime, ashes, several kinds of oil and a substance like clay.

Det. Sgt. Roche stated that on Saturday he visited the house in question and found the three coolies manufacturing "opium" on an extensive scale. The master, who was not at the house at the time, was arrested in Court that morning. It appeared that the so-called opium had been sold in the French Concession for about sixty cents per package, whereas if it had been the real drug it would have been worth about \$20 per package. Some fifteen packages and all the paraphernalia were seized and the Court ordered it to be burned.

The three coolies were sentenced to two months' imprisonment each and the master was fined \$200. The latter paid his fine promptly and this, says the *N.C. Daily News*, may be taken as an indication that the business has been a lucrative one.

## HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday at the Board Room. Mr. E. O. Hutchinson presided, and there were present: Hon. Mr. W. Chatham (Vice-President), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brown (Registrar-General), Colonel Bedford, P.M.O., Dr. G. L. Fitzwilliams, Hon. Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, Mr. Ng Hen Tsai, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr. F. Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. Pearce (A.M.O.H.), and W. Bowen Rowlands (Secretary).

Dr. PEARSE, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, submitted a report relative to the rat-catching system at Kowloon. He pointed out that the total number of rats caught in Old Kowloon during February was 704, which gave a daily average of 75.1. Those caught in Kowloon City numbered 26, giving a daily average of 92. During March, after the re-issue of traps and bird-lime, 2,031 rats were caught in Old Kowloon, giving an average of 65.5 per diem, while 138 were captured in Kowloon City, and the average was 4.46. This showed a marked improvement over the January returns, in which the daily average for Old Kowloon was shown as 47.8, and for Kowloon City 31.1.

QUESTIONS BY COLONEL BEDFORD.

Colonel BEDFORD, in asking the questions standing in his name, said that owing to the very numerous cases of malaria last summer among the military detachment at Devil's Peak, he was naturally anxious that all precautions against a continuance of the fever this summer should be taken. Last November a committee was appointed by the Board to inquire into the conditions prevailing at Devil's Peak, and that committee found certain paddy fields by the roadside which were adversely commented upon. The idea was that they should be resumed, and he now wished to ask whether any steps had been taken to carry out the suggestions of the committee. The questions were as follows:—

"Whether any steps have yet been taken to resume the paddy fields on the road leading up to Devil's Peak Barracks, as recommended by the committee appointed by the Board on 9th of November last?"

"Can it be stated when the new slaughter-house for Shaikwan will be provided?"

"Whether any of the Sanitary Inspectors mentioned in paragraph 19 of the Public Health Ordinance are specially detailed to search for the breeding places of mosquitoes in the vicinity of inhabited dwellings or public roads?"

The PRESIDENT, in reply to the first question, read the following letter from the Government, which was received too late for circulation:—

In reply to your letter of the 9th of last December, I am directed to inform you that the headmen of the villages Sam Ka Tsun and Li U Mun have been admonished by the Registrar-General in the sense recommended by the select committee of the Board, but that His Excellency the Governor, as at present advised, is not prepared to resume the paddy field in question.

In reply to the second question, he stated that the Director of Public Works had informed him that he expects to call for tenders at the end of this month.

The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH was asked to reply to the third question. He stated that all the inspectors of the Sanitary Department were instructed to search for the breeding places of mosquitoes in the vicinity of inhabited dwellings in their respective districts. Our anti-malarial measures did not, however, end there, for he received from the Tung Wah Hospital a daily return of the addresses of all cases of malaria admitted, and from the Registrar of Death a special return of all the deaths from malaria, and the inspectors were required to make special investigations at once into the surroundings of all such houses, and not infrequently they find mosquito larvae in pots of water on the flat roofs in choked drain water gutters, and in various other receptacles for water. When any such were found, the inspector explained to the occupants that such conditions as these were the cause of sickness or death, and they were promptly remedied. He also kept a spot map up to date, to show the distribution of all such cases and deaths, and made special personal investigations into any groups of cases which might occur. Moreover, brush-wood was being constantly cut down in the neighbourhood of dwellings, and basements and out-houses were fumigated with the consent of the tenants, in infected areas, while gardeners and others were required to keep fish or frogs in tanks, pits and foundations which contained water. Gallies and sand catch pits containing water were regularly treated with *laurocides* during the malarial season, from May to November, and the nullahs and ground channels on the hillside were secured every week by the Public Works Department to prevent the growth of algae.

## THE BALGOWNIE RUBBER ESTATES, LTD.

The Secretaries of the above Company write under date April 4th:—

The Manager reports:—Rubber crop harvested during the month of March, 1910 ... 9,023 lbs. estimated dry Corresponding month last year ... 3,524 .. dry Total for twelve months of year 1909/1910 ... 72,687 Total for corresponding period last year ... 33,870

We beg to inform you that a dividend of 55 per cent. was paid to the Shareholders as at 31st March, 1910, making 100 per cent. for the year ended that date.

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**COLONIAL OFFICE REORGANISATION.**

**DATE OF DEFINITE DIVISION.**

The Earl of Crowe's hint at the Royal Colonial Institute banquet to Sir George Reid at its one of the probabilities of the future at the "Colonial Office" would be divided to two sections, one dealing with the Self-governing Dominions, the other with the Crown Colonies, has acted around a great deal of interest in Colonial circles in London. At the last Imperial Conference a strong case was put forward for this reform, it being urged that the methods of dealing with Crown Colonies and with Self-governing Dominions were so entirely different that it was unwise to treat them under the one department. A tentative suggestion was made that there should be a "Colonial and Provincial Department" and a "Colonial

We are says a London journal, in a position to state that Lord Crewe's speech at the Conference was so well received, although it did not make a definite announcement, represented a statement of policy which has passed the stage of discussion and has been actually adopted upon probably the majority of the next Imperial Conference; the division of the Colonial Department into two sections will be made by the present Liberal Government is more powerful, and just as certainly if a Unionist Government has succeeded it for the Unionist Party is in full sympathy with the aspirations of the "new Imperialism," and with the desire of the self-governing Dominions to associate themselves with the Empire as a family of nations rather than as subjects.

It may be further stated that the change when it comes, so far as the departmental organisation is concerned, will be more sentimental than real; the real change will have been already effected, has indeed now been very materially advanced. Before the last Imperial Conference there was a tendency, dictated by office convenience, to separate the Crown Colonies Administration from that of the Self-governing Colonies and

Domains. The methods of procedure were so different in dealing with a colony which was directly under British Government rule and a dominion which had a practically independent Parliament of its own that one set of officials learned to specialise on one side, another on the other side, of the administrative work. After the Second Imperial Conference the tendency was very much accentuated. The wishes of the Self-governing Dominions for having their affairs kept apart from those of the Crown Colonies was respected, as far as office administration would permit, at the Colonial Office began to split into two departments, though still under the one roof, and under the one Parliamentary head. The office of the Colonial Secretary was now the office of the Colonial Office but it might be said to follow a new type of life, but slight changes from the previous routine.

But if the division is to be thorough so that Parliamentary as well as departmental reform will be necessary. If the one Minister is to represent the two departments in the House of Commons—or the House of Lords as the case may be—there will not be a thorough separation, and, indeed, a separation at all means that the mental objections urged against the present system of the two departments will be met.

are regarded as the first importance in this matter. The chief basis of the Imperial idealism is the continent. Would the Government go so far as to arrange for a new member of the Cabinet—  
—with some such title as "Imperial Minister, Protector of Africa?"

As regards the present Government, probably that point need not be discussed since the discussion is not likely to be in the general acceptance of the terms of the "new Imperialism" is of the fact that the Colonial Office is doing no work, as it has been doing since the Imperial Conference, into "Self-government," "Crown Colony" sections, has assigned to different Dominions the Crown Colonies membership to them. Thus the Australasian department under the Colonial Office has under its department the other Oceania.

The African department has the native protectorates of the Cape Colony.

It is probable to presume that while the governing Dominion is formally divided up the governing Dominions section will carry with some of the Crown Colonies, which will be formally recognised as coming under "the sphere of influence" of different nations or under one Crown. Indeed, that phrase—with its implied sense of recognition of full national independence—has actually crept into use in the United States of America.

In the near future, the full responsibility for Africa will be placed on the shoulders of the African people, and Africa will be a truly African, native protectorate; Ceylon will possibly have charge of the West Indies, Australia and New Zealand (when they agree among themselves) will control, under the Crown, the Pacific possessions of the Empire.

That would still leave a great deal of work for a purely Crown Colony Department. It would present five-sixths of all the Colonies of the Empire. The Colonial Department affects the Crown Colonies only one-sixth of the self-governing Dominions. The Crown Colonies which would remain under the "sphere of influence" of any self-governing Dominion would make a large and a fairly troublesome group. There would always be the contingency, likewise, that particular Dominion would be unwilling to undertake the responsibility of influence over Colonies within its sphere of influence. All that is for the future perhaps. For present, the Colonial Office reorganisation is no more than the definite separation from Crown Colonies from the Self-governing Dominions.

**WEATHER REPORT.**

On the 12th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer

has fallen quickly in N.E. Japan; and moderately over S.W. Japan and the L. The depression has moved into the P. the E. of Japan.

The barometer has fallen again on the coast of China, probably owing to the approach of another depression from the Westward. Pressure has increased slightly over S. It is highest over the Yangtze valley. Fresh N.E. winds may be expected in Formosa Channel and the N. part of the Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.16 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood	{	N.E. fresh;
Formosa Channel ... ..	{	Same
South coast of China between	{	Same
Hongkong and Lamooka...	{	
South coast of China between	{	Same
Hongkong and Hainan...	{	

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## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
**HAIKUN**, British str., 636, J. W. Evans, 12th April—Swatow 11th April, General—Douglas, Laprak & Co.  
**HALVARD**, Norwegian str., 1066, C. Andersen, 11th April—Bangkok 4th April, Rice—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.  
**JACOB DIDERICHSEN**, German str., 630, A. Hansen, 12th April—Hokow 11th April, General—Jensen & Co.  
**KAGOSHIMA MARU**, Japanese str., 4405, M. Kawa, 11th April—Muroran 1st April, Coal—Harada & Co.  
**KWONGHANG**, British str., 12th April—Canton, 12th April—Calcutta 27th March, Penang 2nd and Singapore 6th April, General—David Sassoon & Co.  
**MORIMOTO**, Brit. cruiser, 980, L. E. Power, 12th April—Manila 10th April.  
**ONGANO**, British str., 1787, E. J. Butler, 12th April—Sicof 7th April, Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
**SHANT**, British str., 1228, E. Pottinger, 12th April—Hankow via Swatow 11th April—Butterfield & Swire.  
**SPINZA**, German str., 3781, W. Pass, 11th April—Shanghai 8th April, General—Hamburg-America Linie.  
**TENYO MARU**, Japanese str., 7265, Ernest Bent, 12th April—San Francisco via ports 15th March, General—Tokyo Kisen Kaisha.  
**YAWATA MARU**, Japanese str., 3816, T. Sekine, 21st April—Yokohama 2nd April, Onions, Sea-Provision—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

**CLEARANCES.**  
**AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.**  
**12th April.**  
**Tenbay Maru**, Japanese str., for Shanghai.  
**Chongching**, British str., for Canton.  
**Kake Maru**, Japanese str., for Moji.  
**Haiyun**, British str., for Swatow.  
**Helene**, German str., for Swatow.  
**Ischia**, Italian str., for Singapore.  
**Kwonggang**, British str., for Shanghai.  
**Miyazaki Maru**, Japanese str., for Singapore.  
**Nikoh Maru**, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.  
**Prometheus**, Norwegian str., for Hokoh.  
**Sosha Maru**, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
**Spezia**, German str., for Straits.  
**Tsiling**, Dutch str., for Yokohama.

**DEPARTURES.**  
**12th April.**  
**CHIYUEN**, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
**DAKRE CASTLE**, British str., for Boston.  
**DAIGI MARU**, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
**Fri**, Norwegian str., for Norowahang.  
**HAICHING**, British str., for Swatow.  
**HONGKONG**, French str., for Halphong.  
**LINBERIA**, German str., for Straits.  
**NANCHANG**, British str., for Tsingtan.  
**POLYNESIAN**, French str., for Europe, &c.  
**TEAN**, British str., for Manila.

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The British str. **Haikun** reports: Fresh N.E. winds, overcast rainy and thick weather. The British str. **Ischia** reports: Experienced fine clear weather till 150 South of Hongkong, when fresh N.E. winds and light sea and overcast weather set in. The British str. **Lightning** reports: Fine weather, moderate to light E.N.E. wind and sea to within 200 miles of Hongkong; thence strong monsoon, heavy sea, showery and hazy weather.

**VESSELS IN DOCK.**  
**April 12th.**  
**Kowloon Dock**—H.M.F.M.S. **Patric**, **Loyal**, **Tawan**, H.M.S. **Hart**, **Atlas**, **Hopang**, **Kyle**.  
**Cosmopolitan Dock**—**Tungus**.  
**Takoo Dock**—**Hanyang**, **Taiyuan**, **Beichen**.

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Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 13th inst., at Noon. For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to **CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.**  
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## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.		2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.		3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.		4. From Naval Yard to East Point.	
DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & REG.	BIRTH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED	
LONDON, &c., via USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ASSAYE	Brit. str.	—	Owen Jones, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 16th inst., at Noon	
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	NILE	Brit. str.	—	E. F. Martin, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 20th inst.	
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	GLAMORGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	H. C. Norris	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 21st inst.	
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	C. FRED. LARSEN	Ger. str.	k. w.	Wagner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 22nd inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	ALESIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Girstenbrun	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 26th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	SILEZIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Selmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 19th May.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	TRANQUEBAR	Dan. str.	—	Seller	MELCHERS & Co.	On 21st May.	
COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	OCEANIAN	Frenc. str.	—	Deinat	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	End of May.	
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	AMERICA	Ger. str.	k. w.	F. E. Cope	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 26th inst., at 1 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	KITANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. L. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	IYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th May, at D'light	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	CATHAY	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	About first half of May.	
MARSEILLES, COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	F. v. Binzer	MELCHERS & Co.	On 20th inst., at Noon	
NA PLES, GENOA, ALGERES, GIBRALTAR, &c.	AUSTRIA	Aut. str.	—	Raich	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon	
THIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	INVERIC	Am. str.	—	—	ARMHOLD, KARBBERG & Co.	On 26th inst.	
NEW YORK	ERROLL	Brit. str.	—	S. Skotton	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 3rd May.	
YANCOUVER, B.C., TACOMA & SEATTLE via JAPAN	SUBERIC	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 5th May.	
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 23rd inst., at 7 A.M.	
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Kawara	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th May, at Noon	
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst., at Noon	
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	SEATTLE MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 24th May, at Noon	
CALLAO IQUIQUE, &c., via JAPAN PORTS, &c.	BUTO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sokine	TOTO KISEN KAISHA	On 20th inst., at Noon	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	L. Dawson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Noon	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	TAIYAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. Raegener	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th inst., at Noon	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	COBLENZ	Ger. str.	—	M. Yagi	MELCHERS & Co.	On 21st inst., at Noon	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at Noon	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. Isaka	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th May, at Noon	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	H. Fraser	MELCHERS & Co.	Today, at Noon	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Bouman	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 30th inst.	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TUJIMARI	Dut. str.	—	E. Forsyth	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	To-morrow, at Noon	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUNING	Brit. str.	1 m.	V. McClymont-Liddell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.	
TIENSIN	CHONGSHING	Brit. str.	—	F. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 4 P.M.	
TIENSIN via TSINGTAU & WEIHAIWEI	KWONGSHANG	Brit. str.	—	C. R. Longdon, R.N.R.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 16th inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	PALAWAN	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon	
SHANGHAI & CHINWANTAO	CHENAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 14th inst.	
SHANGHAI	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	A. Stewart	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 14th inst.	
SHANGHAI	SALAZIE	Frenc. str.	—	Nagden	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 16th inst.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	LINAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	C. Lindbergh	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHINA	Aut. str.	—	Bergquist	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BUELOW	Ger. str.	—	B. Formes	MELCHERS & Co.	About 20th inst.	
SHANGHAI	ANETUI	Brit. str.	1 m.	Selmer	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SILEZIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Y. Fusono	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 21st inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BUNEN MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. B. Lake	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NAMBAO	Brit. str.	—	A. Harris	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 22nd inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHINHUA	Dan. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PEKING	Ger. str.	k. w.	Eckhorn	MELCHERS & Co.	End of April.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SENEGAMBIA	Jap. str.	—	A. Pander	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 6th May.	
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	THILWONG	Dut. str.	—	Y. Yamamoto	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.	
SHANGHAI	SOSHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Katuraki	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
ANPING via SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. S. Roach	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at Noon	
TAMTSUI via SWATOW & AMOY	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Evans	DOUGLAS LAPEAIRE & Co.	On 15th inst., at Noon	
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAPEAIRE & Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
SWATOW	HAITANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	H. A. Harde	DOUGLAS LAPEAIRE & Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon	
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	KWEILIN	Brit. str.	1 m.	S. J. Payne	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon	
SAITON	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	A. Fraser	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 18th inst., at Noon	
MANILA	RUHI	Brit. str.	—	Pennecfather	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 16th inst., at Noon	
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. H. Rolfe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst., at Noon	
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	R. Rogers	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 23rd inst., at Noon	
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	F. Semhill	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon	
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BOHNEO	Ger. str.	—	Belsito	MELCHERS & Co.	End of April.	
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & PENANG	ISCHIA	Jap. str.	—	J. Dring	CARLOWITZ & Co.	To-day, at Noon	
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst.	
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOONSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 27th inst., at Noon	



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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DELTA Capt. B. W. H. Snow	About 14th April	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI and CHINWANG	PALAWAN Capt. C. R. Longden, R.N.R.	About 14th April	Freight only.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS	ASSAYE Capt. Owen Jones, R.N.R.	Noon, 16th April	See Special of Call.
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MALACCA	NILE Capt. E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	About 20th April	Freight and Passage.

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E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent

Hongkong, 13th April, 1910.

# CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SAIGON	"KWEILIN"	On 13th April, Noon.
TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 13th April, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 14th April, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 17th April, 4 p.m.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 19th April, 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 21st April, 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 21st April, 4 p.m.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"PEKING"	End of April.
MARSHALLS, COPENHAGEN and "CATHAY"		About first half of May.
BALTIC PORTS		
COPENHAGEN and BALTIC PORTS	"TRANQUEBAR"	End of May.

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HONGKONG, 2nd April, 1910.

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# INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"KWONGSANG"	Wed. day, 13th April, Noon.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 15th April, 4 p.m.
TIENTSIN, via TINGTAT & WEIHAIWEI	"CHEONGSHING"	Tuesday, 16th April, Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	"NAMSANG"	Friday, 22nd April, Noon.
MANILA	"YUNTSANG"	Friday, 22nd April, 4 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & GALLUPUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Wed. day, 27th April, Noon.

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"HAIKU"	SWATOW	WED. DAY, 13th April, at 10 A.M.
"HAIKU"	SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW	FRIDAY, 15th April, at 10 A.M.
"HAIKU"	SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW	TUESDAY, 19th April, at 10 A.M.

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### OUTWARD.

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S.S. SILESIA	21st April
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSHALLS, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	KITANO MARU Capt. F. E. Cope, 9,000		WED. DAY, 27th April, at Daylight.
	IYO MARU Capt. T. L. Harrison, 7,000		WED. DAY, 11th May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE	KAMAKURA MARU Capt. K. Kori, 7,000		SATURDAY, 23rd April, from KOBE.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU Capt. K. Kawa, 7,000		TUESDAY, 26th April, at Noon.
	TAMBA MARU Capt. K. Sato, 7,000		TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sato, 5,000		FRIDAY, 15th April, at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi, 6,000		FRIDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi, 6,000		WED. DAY, 13th April, at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU Capt. H. Fraser, 9,000		THURSDAY, 14th April, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	HAKATA MARU Capt. J. Dring, 7,000		TUESDAY, 19th April.

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Hongkong, 11th April, 1910.

T. KUSUMOTO,  
MANAGER.

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# CHINA AND MANILA

STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBL	2540	A. Fraser	Manila	On 16th April, Noon
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TJIMAH	JAVA	Second half of April	JAPAN	Second half of April
TJIKINI	JAVA	First half of May	SHANGHAI	First half of May
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	First half of May	JAVA	First half of May
TJIBODAS	JAVA	Second half of May	SHANGHAI	Second half of May
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Second half of May	JAPAN	Second half of May

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TACOMA via MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"SEATTLE MARU" Capt. T. Saito	6,182	WED. DAY, 20th April, at Noon.
	"CHICAGO MARU" Capt. I. Guto,	6,182	WED. DAY, 18th May, at Noon.

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TAMSUI via SWATOW, & AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU" Capt. Y. KUBURAH	SUNDAY, 17th April, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	"BUJUN MARU" Capt. Y. FUSENO	THURSDAY, 21st April, at 8 A.M.

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SHIPPING IN PORT

Thomas, 8th April—Kobe 1st April, Coal and General—David Sassoon & Co.

BOMBAY MARU, Japanese str., 1,253, Teranaka, 11th April—Bombay 25th March, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CHENAM, British str., 1,350, Lloyd Jones, 10th April—Shanghai 7th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CHONGSHING, British str., 1,265, O. Moll, Liddell, 11th April—Tientsin 3rd April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHILDAN, Norwegian str., 1,102, H. Nielsen, 10th April—Bangkok 2nd and Swatow 9th April, Rice—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

CHOWAT, German str., 1,115, E. E. Geste-mann, 10th April—Bangkok 1st April, Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.

DUVAWONGSE, Ger. str., 1,057, Fr. Rehwaldt, 11th April—Bangkok via Kohsichang 2nd April, Rice and Meal—Butterfield & Swire.

EXPRESS OF CHINA, British str., 5,947, E. Archibald, R.N.R., 2nd April—Vancouver 11th March, General—C. P. R. & Co.

FOCHOW, British str., 1,225, Vincent, 9th April—Swatow 8th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

FUKU MARU, Japanese str., 4,182, H. Tomi-naka, 10th April—Moji 5th April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HELENE, German str., 771, J. Jessen, 10th April—Tours 8th April, Sugar and General—Jensen & Co.

HENRIK JESSEN, Norwegian str., 2,994, Chr. Smith, 11th April—Portland via Moji 6th April, Flour—Pacific Mail.

HOPKINS, British str., 1,359, J. M. Hay, 6th April—Bangkok 29th March, Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HUGHOW, British str., 1,228, E. Forsyth, 8th April—Tientsin 1st April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

ISCHIA, Italian str., 4,050, Giuseppe Belotto, 6th April—Bombay 18th and Singapore 31st March, General—Cassell & Co.

JAPAN, British str., 3,505, A. Stewart, 9th April—Calcutta via Straits 22nd March, General—David Sassoon & Co.

KYED, Norwegian str., 910, Halesco, 9th April—Manila 6th April, General—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

KWANGTAN, Chinese str., 1,536, W. H. Lun, 10th April—Shanghai 7th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KWONGSANG, British str., 1,428, Richard, 9th April—Shanghai 3rd and Swatow 9th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LAEREN, British str., 1,350, H. C. D. Hamp-ton, 9th April—Sagun 6th April, General—Wo Fat Sing.

LOONGSANG, British str., 1,092, F. Wheeler, 11th April—Manila 8th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MACHEW, German str., 995, R. G. Zellour, 4th April—Bangkok 27th March, Rice and Meal—Butterfield & Swire.

MANDAL, Norwegian str., 1,194, Erichsen, 9th April—Chinking 5th April, Groundnuts—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

MERAPI, Dutch str., 1,109, Gronau, 9th April—Samarang and Singapore 2nd April, General—Order.

MIYAZAKI MARU, Japanese str., 5,270, Tamaki-mura, 11th April—Shanghai 8th April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

MONGOLIA, American str., 8,750, H. E. Morton, 8th April—San Francisco 8th March, General—P. M. S. S. Co.

NJAKO MARU, Japanese str., 3,439, M. Yagi, 11th April—Manila 9th April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

PAKLAT, German str., 1,018, J. Wenzel, 6th April—Bangkok 23th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

PROMETHEUS, Norwegian str., 1,024, O. Cornelissen, 7th April—Bangkok 28th March and Hallow 5th April, Rice and General—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

RUBI, British str., 1,619, A. Fraser, 11th April—Manila 9th April, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

SEATTLE MARU, Japanese str., 3,832, T. Saito, 11th April—Manila 9th April, General, Matches and Salt Fish—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

SHIBETORO MARU, Japanese str., 2,478, S. Aisumi, 9th April—Moji 2nd April, Coal—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

TAIYUAN, British str., 1,459, L. Dawson, 6th April—Australasian Ports, General—C. S. N. Co.

TUNGSEING, British str., 1,173, W. Stalker, 9th April—Bangkok 3rd April, Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TUNGUS, Norwegian str., 1,039, Halvorsen, 8th April—Singapore 27th March, Rice—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ULV, Norwegian str., 685, Petersen, 7th April—Newchang 30th March, General—1st April, Swatow, Rice—Agard, Thoresen & Co.

WIGGILL, Swedish str., 989, Thor Eckardt, 10th April—Haiphong 7th and Hallow 9th April, Rice, General and Cattle—Wallem & Co.



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FOR	PER	DATE.
Swatow, Amoy and Auping	<i>Sooku Maru</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	<i>Maiana</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	<i>Iekia</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore	<i>Kweilin</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	<i>Kweilin</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	<i>Nikko Maru</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Hokkaido and Haiphong	<i>Sui Tai</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	<i>Hutchow</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	<i>Tungus</i>	Wednesday, 13th, 5.00 A.M.
Tsingtau and Vladivostok	<i>Hirano Maru</i>	Thursday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Kobe and Yokohama	<i>Paklat</i>	Thursday, 14th, 1.00 P.M.
Bangkok	<i>Sui Tai</i>	Thursday, 14th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	<i>Japan</i>	Thursday, 14th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	<i>Chenan</i>	Thursday, 14th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	<i>Della</i>	Thursday, 14th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Chinawatan	<i>Palawan</i>	Thursday, 14th, 4.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	<i>Haitan</i>	Friday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, Dunedin and Fremantle	<i>Yawata Maru</i>	Friday, 15th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	<i>Sui Tai</i>	Friday, 15th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	<i>Loanang</i>	Friday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Batavia, Cherbon, Samarang, and Sourabaya	<i>Hilary</i>	Saturday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	<i>Rubi</i>	Saturday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Tientsin	<i>Chongching</i>	Saturday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.

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## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, APRIL 12TH, 1910.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
<b>BANKS.</b>				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$97.5, sales
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$76, buyers
Bank of China, Limited	6,004	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$11, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$11, ex. rot. b.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$8, sales
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 140, sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$63, sal. & buy.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 61.
Loan-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 70.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 300.
<b>DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED</b>	40,000	\$74	\$6	\$18, buyers
<b>DOCK AND WHARVES.</b>				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$59, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$61, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$64	\$64	\$9, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 81.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 125.
<b>GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED</b>	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$7, sales
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	\$10	\$20.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$22, sales
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$107.
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	\$25	\$52.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$115, buyers
<b>INSURANCE.</b>				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$170, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$110, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$33.33	\$25	\$32, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$250	\$50	\$340, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$115	\$25	\$115, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$910, sal. & buy.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$230, Nom.
<b>LANDS AND BUILDINGS.</b>				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$100	\$100	\$190, sales
Humphreys' Estate and Building Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$84, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$30	\$30	\$28, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 107.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$42, sellers
<b>MINE.</b>				
Société Française des Carrières du Tonkin	16,000	Fes. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	19/10	\$84, sales
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$15, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$15, buyers
<b>REFINERIES.</b>				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$168, buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$29, sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
<b>STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.</b>				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$84, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$32, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$15	\$15	\$30.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 def.	\$5	all	76, buy. [L'dn
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$10	\$10	\$25, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$14, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$25, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$5.
<b>STRENGTH AND BUILDING.</b>				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$10.
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$3.
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$4, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, buyers
Weismann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$12, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900, ordy.	\$10	\$10	\$12, sellers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$300.
<b>TELEPHONE.</b>				
Singapore and Johore	—	—	—	\$30 (St.)
Belgongwee	—	—	—	\$25 (St.)
Perth	—	—	—	\$65 (St.)
Algeria	—	—	—	36.
Anglo-Malaya	—	—	—	117/6
Castellfields, fully paid	—	—	—	280.
Consolidated Malay	—	—	—	170.
Damansara	—	—	—	180.
Highlands and Low	—	—	—	120 prem.
Kamuning	—	—	—	125.
Kuala Lumpur	—	—	—	125.
Ledbury's	—	—	—	45/ sales
Lyngby	—	—	—	90.
Shanghai	—	—	—	180.
Shanghai	—	—	—	167/6 buyers
Sungai-Kapang	—	—	—	180.
United Serdang	—	—	—	48/ prem.
Bukit Kajang	—	—	—	13.
Eastern and Internal	—	—	—	230.
London Ventures	—	—	—	16/
Sumatra Paras	—	—	—	140/.
Merlimau	—	—	—	—
Beta Tigas	—	—	—	—

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.

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TO-DAY.  
 Noon—Thirty-Seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.  
 12.30 p.m.—Forty-Fourth Ordinary Meeting of China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.  
 9 p.m.—Entertainment—"Miss and Man" by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, at Theatre Royal.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.  
 Thursday, 14th April—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Property, at Auction Room by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, noon.  
 Saturday, 16th April—Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club, 12.30 p.m.  
 Saturday, 16th April—First Meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club, at Happy Valley, at 3.30 p.m.  
 Saturday, 16th April—Boxing at Belle View Stadium, at 9 p.m.  
 Wednesday, 20th April—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Property, at Auction Room, by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, noon.  
 Friday, 22nd April—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Property at Salas Rooms, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 3 p.m.  
 Saturday, 30th April—Second Annual Dinner of Kowloon Cricket Club, at Hongkong Hotel.

## COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE  
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

April 12th.

ON LONDON.	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/4
Bank Bills, on demand	1/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 12 months' sight	1/4
ON SHANGHAI.	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/4
Bank Bills, on demand	1/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 12 months' sight	1/4
ON HONGKONG.	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/4
Bank Bills, on demand	1/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight	1/4
Bank Bills, at 12 months' sight	1/4

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.  
 The P. & O. str. *Della* left Singapore for this port on the 9th inst., at 11 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m., and will leave for Shanghai about 5 p.m. the same day.

THE FRENCH MAIL.  
 The M.M. str. *Salvia*, with French Mail of the 15th ult., and mails from London of the 12th ult., left Singapore on the 9th inst., at 4 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on or about Saturday, the 16th inst., at daylight, and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

THE INDIAN MAIL.  
 The Indo-China str. *Namang* left Calcutta for the Straits and Hongkong on the 4th inst., and is due here about the 16th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
 The P.M. str. *Korea* left Yokohama on the 10th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 16th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.  
 The I.G.M. str. *Buenos*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 23rd ult., left Colombo on the 9th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 20th inst.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.  
 The I.G.M. str. *Prins Waldemar* left Sydney on the 9th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st prox.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.  
 The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* left Vancouver for Hongkong via usual ports of call on the 7th inst., at p.m.

THE N.Y.K. MAIL.  
 The N.Y.K. str. *Hirano Maru* (European Line) left Singapore on the 8th inst., and is expected here to-day.

THE P. & O. MAIL.  
 The P. & O. str. *Palawan* left Singapore for this port on the 8th inst., at 5.30 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at about 5 a.m., and will leave for Shanghai and Chinawatan at about 5 p.m. the same day.

THE MUGEL LINE.  
 The Mugel Line str. *Abell* left the United Kingdom on the 12th ult. for Hongkong via Straits.

THE N.Y.K. MAIL.  
 The N.Y.K. str. *Irada Maru* (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 8th inst., and is expected here on the 17th inst.

THE BANK LINE.  
 The Bank Line str. *Suvaric* left Kobe on the 11th inst. for Moji.

## OPTUM.

April 11th.

Quotations are—	
Malwa New	\$2,780/2,800 per picul.
Malwa Old	\$2,810/2,830
Malwa Older	\$2,840/2,860
Malwa V. Old	\$2,870/2,890
Peruvia fine quality	\$1,540/1,560
Peruvia extra fine	\$2,600/2,700
Peruvia New	\$2,750 per chest.
Peruvia Old	\$2,800
Honore New	\$2,800
Honore Old	\$2,800

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.  
 March 18th—*Birano Maru*, *Salvia*, 22nd—*Buenos*, *Glennag*, *Meinam*, *Nyana*, *Pak Ling*, *Seneca*, 29th—*Bennahr*, *Borneo*, *Huelou*, *Katuna*, *Moyuna*, *Peking*, *Silene*, *Tungo Maru*, *Buenos*, April 1st—*Australien*, *Carmarthen*, *Kabingo*, *Polea*, *Vernon*, 5th—*Alcinous*, *E. F. Ford*, *Pathan*, 8th—*Ernest Simons*, *Kawachi Maru*, *Machao*, *Polyphemus*, *Senegambia*, *Jawa*.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.  
 April 8th—*Cargoonahire*, *Kaga Maru*, *Lucknow*, *St. George*, *Yunnan*.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL.  
 REGISTERED.  
 Hongkong Observatory, April 12th.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.93	30.09	30.02
Temperature	64	64	64
Humidity	NNE	E	E
Wind direction	NNE	E	E
Force	1	1	2
Weather	1	0	0
State	1	0.16	—

Highest open air Temperature on 11th—68  
 Lowest open air Temperature on 11th—60

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